DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71


RIN 2120–AA66

Proposed Modification of Area Navigation (RNAV) Route Q–62; Northeast United States

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to modify area navigation (RNAV) route Q–62 by extending it further west and incorporating two additional navigation fixes. The route extension is proposed to link two RNAV Standard Terminal Arrival Routes (STARs) serving the Chicago O'Hare International Airport, IL, terminal area with the high altitude route. The FAA is taking this action to increase National Airspace System (NAS) efficiency and enhance flight safety as aircraft transition from the en route airway structure to the terminal area airspace phase of flight.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 22, 2012.


You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see ADDRESSES section for address and phone number) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Central Service Center, Operations Support Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76137.

Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRMs should contact the FAA’s Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267–9677, for a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11–2A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by extending high altitude RNAV route Q–62 to the west to include the WATSN and DAIFE fixes. The proposed change would facilitate linking the WATSN and HALIE RNAV STARs serving Chicago O'Hare International Airport, IL, with the high altitude route and establish a seamless transition for westbound air traffic from the New York metropolitan area into the Chicago O’Hare International Airport, IL, terminal area. This proposed route extension would also reduce ATC system complexity, increase traffic controller and pilot workload, and voice communication requirements, as well as...
reduce aircraft fuel consumption and expand the use of RNAV within the NAS.

High altitude RNAV routes are published in paragraph 2006 of FAA Order 7400.9V dated August 9, 2011, and effective September 15, 2011, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The RNAV routes listed in this document would be subsequently published in the Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed regulation: (1) Is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA’s authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency’s authority.

This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of the airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it modifies the route structure as required to preserve the safe and efficient flow of air traffic.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71
Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Q-62 WATSN, IN to SARAA, PA [Amended]

| WATSN, IN | FIX | (Lat. 41°17′00″ N., long. 86°02′07″ W.) |
| DAIFE, IN | WP | (Lat. 41°16′08″ N., long. 85°51′19″ W.) |
| NOLNN, OH | WP | (Lat. 41°14′04″ N., long. 84°36′12″ W.) |
| WEEVR, OH | WP | (Lat. 41°13′21″ N., long. 84°13′04″ W.) |
| PSKUR, OH | WP | (Lat. 41°09′16″ N., long. 82°42′57″ W.) |
| FAALS, OH | WP | (Lat. 41°02′51″ N., long. 80°52′40″ W.) |
| ALEE, OH | WP | (Lat. 41°00′28″ N., long. 80°31′54″ W.) |
| QUARM, PA | WP | (Lat. 40°49′45″ N., long. 79°04′39″ W.) |
| BURN, PA | FIX | (Lat. 40°39′25″ N., long. 77°48′14″ W.) |
| MCMAN, PA | FIX | (Lat. 40°38′16″ N., long. 77°34′14″ W.) |
| VALLO, PA | FIX | (Lat. 40°37′37″ N., long. 77°26′15″ W.) |
| Ravine, PA (RAV) | VORTAC | (Lat. 40°33′12″ N., long. 76°35′58″ W.) |
| SUZIE, PA | FIX | (Lat. 40°27′12″ N., long. 75°58′22″ W.) |
| SARAA, PA | FIX | (Lat. 40°26′22″ N., long. 75°53′16″ W.) |

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

20 CFR Part 404

[Docket No. SSA–2006–0179]
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New Medical Criteria for Evaluating Language and Speech Disorders

AGENCY: Social Security Administration.

ACTION: Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.

SUMMARY: We are considering whether to propose new rules for evaluating language and speech disorders. The new rules would apply to disability claims involving language and speech disorders in adults and children under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act (Act). Specifically, we are considering whether to add a new body system in the Listing of Impairments in appendix 1 to subpart P of part 404 of our regulations (listings) for these disorders. We are requesting your comments about whether we should establish these new rules, as well as suggestions about what the proposed rules should include. If we decide to propose specific listings, we will publish a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in the Federal Register.

DATES: To be sure that we consider your comments, we must receive them by no later than April 6, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any one of three methods—Internet, fax, or mail. Do not submit the comments multiple times or by more than one method. Regardless of which method you choose, please state that your comments refer to Docket No. SSA–2006–0179 so that we may associate your comments with the correct regulation.

Caution: You should be careful to include in your comments only information that you wish to make publicly available. We strongly urge you not to include in your comments any personal information, such as Social Security numbers or medical information.

1. Internet: We strongly recommend that you submit your comments via the